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Rinker Center for Study Away
and International Education

MAYX 2020 RINKER FACULTY TRAVEL FELLOW

APPLICATION DEADLINE: FRIDAY, February 7, 2020

The Rinker Center for Study Away & International Education has funding to provide an opportunity for a Furman Faculty Member to accompany, assist, and learn from an international May Experience Study Away Program in May 2020. In return, the Rinker Faculty Fellow will be expected to participate as a faculty director in a MayX of their own within the following two years. All costs related to the study away program, including airfare, meals, and accommodations will be paid by the fellowship program. Funding may not be extended to cover costs related to activities and travel not included in the MayX itinerary, such as research, site visits, or other travel.

Applications will be reviewed by a committee comprised of administrative staff in the Rinker Center for Study Away and the chair of the Study Away Committee. The committee will consider applications from faculty with any of the following interests or experiences:

- Faculty who have limited or no prior experience leading study away programs and want to learn the planning and implementation process.
- Faculty who want to develop their awareness and knowledge of a region (or similar environment) where a current May Experience program will take place (this could include experienced study away faculty).
- Faculty from departments that currently do not participate in faculty-led programs.

Application Instructions:

Interested applicants should secure permission from the program directors leading the MayX 2020 program of interest. Address the bulleted points below in your application. **Send your application as a pdf or word file by February 7, 2020 to nancy.georgiev@furman.edu** Decisions will be made within a week of deadline.

- Identify the MayX program you would like to accompany in May 2020. (Please note that the program directors will be asked to endorse your participation in their program.)
- What would you like to learn/accomplish as a Faculty Travel Fellow?
- How would your participation in this program help to accomplish those goals? (For example, do you want to shadow, participate, or assist the faculty leader/s; do you intend to find local contacts, observe the MayX program from a logistical standpoint; put together your own proposal for an upcoming MayX, etc.) Please provide examples.
- How would the MayX Faculty Travel Fellow opportunity improve your ability to design and implement a study away program? Do you already have ideas for participating in and/or designing a MayX for the future?
- What do you see as the possibilities and scope for curriculum and course work integration from such a travel experience?

A post-program report from the Rinker Faculty Travel Fellow should be submitted by September 1, 2020.